



# 11  
K. Cobb  
8/25/02

Certificate Under 37 CFR 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D. C., 20231 on August 2, 2002

*Approved*  
Attorney: *David H. Badger*  
David H. Badger, Atty. Reg. No. 26,983

**PATENT**  
**Our Case No. 907/045**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

AUG - 3 2002  
TECHNOLOGY

In re Application of	)
Robert D. Brand	) Group Art Unit 3725
Serial No.: 09/377,120	) Examiner: W. Donald Bray
Filed: August 19, 1999	)
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR	)
RETAINING A FLITCH FOR CUTTING	)

**LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON**

The Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Attached hereto are red-lined corrections to Figs. 21 and 22 by adding cross-hatching for the cross-sections of the flitch table in shown in Fig. 21 and separate cross-hatching for the cross-section of the flitch table 286 and the cross-section of the modular assembly 280 carried by the flitch table in Fig. 22. In addition, in Fig. 22, arrows have been placed on the lead lines 284, an additional element number 296 and lead line have been added to indicate the tongue on the right side of the table segment 282 and an additional element number 298 and lead line have been added to the left side of the drawing to indicate the groove in the flitch table 286. No new matter has been added.

Serial No. 09/377,120

Filed: August 19, 1999

Applicant respectfully requests that the corrections receive favorable consideration and that drawings with these corrections be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,



David H. Badger  
Attorney Reg. No. 22,597

**BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE**  
One Indiana Square, Suite 2425  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
Telephone: 317-636-0886  
Facsimile: 317-634-6701



COPY OF PAPERS  
ORIGINALLY FILED

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0032  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2002

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)**200.00**

## Complete If Known

Application Number **09/377,120**  
Filing Date **August 19, 1999**  
First Named Inventor **Robert D. Brand**  
Examiner Name **W. Donald Bray**  
Group Art Unit **3725**  
Attorney Docket No. **970/045**

## METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

☒ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other ☐ None

☐ Deposit Account:

Deposit Account Number **23-1925**  
Deposit Account Name **Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione**

The Commissioner is authorized to: (check all that apply)

☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below ☒ Credit any overpayments  
☒ Charge any additional fee(s) during the pendency of this application  
☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee to the above-identified deposit account

## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
101	740	201	370	Utility filing fee	
106	330	206	165	Design filing fee	
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee	
108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	
114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)**-0-**

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims  -20\*\* =  X  =   
Independent Claims  -3\*\* =  X  =   
Multiple Dependent  =

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20	
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109	84	209	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)**-0-**

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
136	1,510	136	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$)**200.00**

## SUBMITTED BY

Name (Print/Type) **David H. Badger** Registration No. **22,597** Telephone **(317) 636-0886**  
Signature *David H. Badger* Date **8-2-02**

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.2 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.